

# Marr Mooring Issue Goes To Harbormaster

Commercial fisherman Matthew Marr and his attorney Michael Savage met with Selectmen last week to discuss the mooring of Marr's 38 foot fishing boat in Cohasset Harbor. Selectmen deferred the matter to Harbormaster Harry Ritter.

Selectmen prefaced the discussion by reading a copy of a letter dated June 20 sent to Marr from Ritter. Ritter notified Marr that his boat, the "Sally Marie" was in violation of the harbor regulations, as he had placed that boat on his old 30' mooring. According to the mooring regulations, a boat owner is not to increase the size of a boat using

the same tackle without written permission from the Harbormaster.

"In the best interest of navigation and the safe mooring of boats, I have no alternative but to order your boat removed from the confines of Cohasset Harbor within 72 hours or it will be removed in accordance with Chapter 102, Section 24 of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts," Ritter stated in the letter.

Marr is the third person on

the 38' section of the mooring waiting list and made application last February. The first two names applied for moorings in 1977, but Attorney Savage argued that they don't have 38' boats as yet. He reasoned that Marr's livelihood (he is a full time firefighter) would be enhanced by fishing commercially and the fact that he already owns a 38' boat should put him at the top of the list.

Harbormaster Harry Ritter

said later that there is no room for another 38' fishing vessel in the harbor and that Marr's boat was in danger of colliding with neighboring boats.

Marr claimed that the houseboat which Ritter had previously stated came within 18 inches of the fishing boat wasn't near his boat at all. Savage further said that the harbor regulations were putting Marr out of business and that it wasn't economically viable not to allow him to keep

his boat there. When Selectmen noted that a commercial fisherman is supposed to earn not less than 85 per cent of his annual livelihood, Savage replied with a terse four-letter expletive.

According to Ritter Monday, Marr has not yet received the certified letter of violation, but that as soon as he does he has 72 hours to have his boat removed, Ritter said, or he will seek a court order to have it removed.

## Selectmen Approve Beer Permit

A wine and malt license for Papa Gino's restaurant was approved by Selectmen last week. The restaurant is under construction at Cushing Plaza and is expected to be open for business by early July.

Selectman Rocco Laugelle, who voted against granting the license, felt that the serving of alcoholic beverages at the restaurant would contribute to the loitering and congregating of youths in the area. Beccod Street residents voiced their objection to the license at a hearing held several weeks ago, because they felt it would be an additional invitation for young people to gather and drink there.

Selectman Henry Ainslie and Chairman Arthur Clark had disagreed that the license would necessarily create additional problems outside the restaurant, and their votes reflected their opinion.

"There's no reason to vote against it if the company's responsible," Clark said. Attorney for Papa Gino's Howard Wayne had submitted six favorable recommendations to Selectmen from other towns where the restaurants sold wine and beer.

Wayne assured the Selectmen that their serving policy is strictly supervised. Alcoholic beverages are served only at the restaurant, he said, and would therefore not add to the problem of gathering youths outside.

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